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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1185

By Maddox

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Mr. Paul Carroll.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Paul Carroll of McKenzie; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carroll was a longtime businessman and civic leader who, during his lifetime, contributed his time and countless talents to the betterment of McKenzie and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, born on a farm near McKenzie, Mr. Carroll never lost his desire for farming despite a successful career in insurance as owner of the Paul Carroll Insurance Agency; and

WHEREAS, this patriotic American served with honor and courage as a member of the 100th Infantry Division with the United States Army; he was one of only two survivors in the anti-tank platoon with which he served in France; and

WHEREAS, an active member of his community and his profession, Mr. Carroll was a member of the McKenzie Industrial Board since the mid-1960's and a County Commissioner for many years; he also played a significant role in the construction of a hospital in McKenzie; and

WHEREAS, Paul Carroll served with probity for many years as a member of the Methodist Hospital of McKenzie Board and the McKenzie Special School District Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, he also contributed his time as a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion; and

WHEREAS, throughout his life, Paul Carroll distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and an exceptional asset to his community, state, and nation; and

WHEREAS, he evinced his strong faith in God as a member of the U.S.A. Presbyterian Church in McKenzie; and

WHEREAS, Paul was also committed to the highest ideals of family values; he shared great love and companionship with his wife, the late Nellie Ann Carroll, was the loving father of two sons, Mike and Jimmy, the grandfather of Brandon, Brett, Chase, Paul and Rachel, and the brother of Betty Wheat and Nell McAden; and

WHEREAS, it is not often that a man of Mr. Carroll's stature walks among us, and it is important that we pay tribute to his strong character, many selfless good works, life of purpose, and his unwavering commitment to family and community; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor the memory of Mr. Paul Carroll, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Carroll.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.